ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

Regulation Number: 129-14-52

Regulation Name: Qualified Entities for HealthWave Presumptive Eligibility

<u>Summary of Proposed Changes</u>: The proposed new regulation is added to provide guidelines for a qualified entity in order to make a determination of presumptive eligibility. A qualified entity must be a medical assistance provider designated by DHPF. The qualified entity must make the finding of presumptive eligibility using a tool provided by DHPF. The qualified entity is required to provide a written notice of the results of the presumptive determination. The entity is also required to assist the consumer with completing a full application for medical assistance. The entity shall notify the agency of all determinations within 5 working days.

<u>Federal Mandate</u>: This regulation change is not federally mandated.

Economic Impact: It is anticipated there will be no fiscal impact due to this change.

Bearer of Cost: Not applicable

<u>Affected Parties</u>: This change will have a moderate administrative impact on DHPF eligibility staff and related contractors.

This change will provide quicker access to medical care for children most likely to be eligible for public health benefits.

This change will provide a medical assistance providers payments for covered services is a timely manner.

Other Methods: There were no other appropriate methods for the desired outcome.